AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Please note and consider the claims in the application as identified below, with currently amended claims comprising markings in the form of strikethrough for deletions and underlining for additions.

 (currently amended) A method for raising funds for a charitable cause comprising the steps of:

identifying a charitable cause in need of funding;
providing a plurality of patriotic flags to comprise a healing field;
linking a display of the healing field to the charitable cause in need of funding;
displaying the healing field as part of a public awareness campaign, the plurality of
patriotic flags temporarily occupying a location not dedicated to providing a
permanent display of the patriotic flags;

selling the plurality of patriotic flags that are displayed in the healing field and donating at least a portion of proceeds to the charitable cause in need of funding; and removing the plurality of patriotic flags to eliminate the healing field from the location.

- (previously presented) A method as in claim 1, wherein the step of providing a plurality of patriotic flags to comprise a healing field further comprises the step of identifying a historical event to be symbolized by the plurality of patriotic flags.
- (previously presented) A method as in claim 1, wherein the step of displaying the healing field further comprises the step of positioning the plurality of patriotic flags in a predetermined pattern.
- (original) A method as in claim 3, wherein the predetermined pattern is a geometric pattern.
- (original) A method as in claim 3, wherein the predetermined pattern is a linear array placed along an area selected from the group consisting of a path, a body

of water, a river, a building, a structure, a road, a highway, a trail, a hill, a mountain, and a military base.

- (original) A method as in claim 3, further comprising the step of incorporating information within the predetermined pattern.
- (previously presented) A method as in claim 3, further comprising the step of incorporating a graphic message within the predetermined pattern.
- 8. (previously presented) A method as in claim 1, wherein the step of linking a display of the healing field to the charitable cause further comprises the step of advertising a purpose for the plurality of patriotic flags and the healing field, wherein the purpose links the plurality of patriotic flags and the healing field to the charitable cause.
- (previously presented) A method as in claim 8, wherein the step of advertising the
 purpose for the plurality of patriotic flags and the healing field further comprises the
 step of advertising through a medium selected from the group consisting of radio
 stations, television stations, newspapers, magazines, and internet sites.
- (previously presented) A method as in claim 1, further comprising the step of
 obtaining one or more sponsors to pay for the plurality of patriotic flags in the healing
 field
- (previously presented) A method as in claim 10, wherein the one or more sponsors
 comprises a person that pays to sponsor one or more flags in the plurality of patriotic
 flags.
- (previously presented) A method as in claim 10, wherein the one or more sponsors comprises an organization that pays to sponsor one or more flags in the plurality of

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patriotic flags.

- 13. (previously presented) A method as in claim 1, wherein the step of selling the plurality of patriotic flags further comprises the step of selling the plurality of patriotic flags through an auction.
- 14. (original) A method as in claim 13, wherein the auction is an internet auction.
- 15. (previously presented) A method as in claim 1, wherein the step of selling the plurality of patriotic flags further comprises the step of selling the plurality of patriotic flags through an advertising campaign.
- (previously presented) A method as in claim 1, wherein the step of selling the
 plurality of patriotic flags further comprises the step of placing advertisements near the
 healing field.
- 17. (previously presented) A method as in claim 1, wherein the step of selling the plurality of patriotic flags further comprises the step of advertising through a medium selected from the group consisting of radio stations, television stations, newspapers, magazines, and internet sites.
- 18. (original) A method as in claim 17, wherein the step of advertising through the medium of magazines further comprises the step of advertising through magazines that are substantially specific to a purpose for the healing field.
- (currently amended) A system for raising funds for a charitable cause comprising the steps of:

means for identifying a charitable cause in need of funding; means for providing a plurality of patriotic flags to comprise a healing field;

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means for linking a display of the healing field to the charitable cause in need of funding;

means for displaying the healing field as part of a public awareness campaign, the plurality of patriotic flags temporarily occupying a location not dedicated to providing a permanent display of the patriotic flags;

a-means for selling the plurality of patriotic flags that are displayed in the healing field and donating at least a portion of proceeds to the charitable cause in need of funding; and

means for removing the plurality of patriotic flags to eliminate the healing field from the location.

20. (new) The method of claim 1, further comprising repeating the steps of identifying a charitable cause, providing a plurality of patriotic flags, linking a display of the healing field, displaying the healing field, selling the plurality of patriotic flags, and removing the plurality of patriotic flags, for a different charitable cause at a different location.